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BARNES TO PLAY AT JUNIOR PROM

Signed Recently After Audition By Committee



WALTER BARNES

There we is. Walter Barnes, the colored maestro, who will lead his famous "Royal Creolians" dance orchestra at the Xavier Junior Prom tomorrow evening.

Barnes hails from Chicago, where he has a large following, having played engagements at such famous amusement centers as Capone's, the Cotton Club, Hotel Savoy, Club Congo, and at the Stevens and Schroder Hotels. Barnes' Orchestra has also done some recording for Brunswick.

Announcement that Barnes will play came from the Committee last week. Al Marti had been tentatively signed, but the boys discovered a better band, they say. Barnes' style is summed up in one word—diversity.

SENIOR BREAKFAST AT RED LION TAVERN

After The Prom; Nolan, Smyth And Nurre On Committee

The annual Senior breakfast will be held at the Red Lion Tavern immediately after the close of the Junior Prom, according to an announcement made by the Committee last week. Tickets may be purchased all this week at school and at the dance on Friday night. Leo Smyth, John Nolan and Joe Nurre are in charge of the breakfast and tickets may be purchased from them. The Committee wishes it to be known that the breakfast is not restricted to anyone. The price of the breakfast has been lowered in view of the depressing times, to the very reasonable figure of seventy-five cents a plate.

MAGGINI LEADS IN CHESS TOURNEY

But Is Pursued By Haughey, Nolan, Ludden, Romer, Scott

Chess tournament highlights are rivalry for leadership and discovery of strong players. Haughey, Ludden, Nolan, Romer, Scott and Maggini have played good games of the nip-and-tuck variety, the latter leading at present with six wins and no defeats. Ludden and Haughey are the prize finds of the tourney. Ludden formerly played with U. C. when it was preeminent in collegiate chess. Haughey displays great skill for a player of three months' experience. These men will probably place in the tourney and on the team.

Fifty-two games, one quarter of the total number, have been completed. Several entrants are delaying the tournament. Unless they play their quota this week they will be disqualified. New entrants are Anton and Ansiger, Eliet Hall residents whose enforced vacation prevented their entering earlier.

Weekly Calendar

Thursday, March 31
Chapel Assembly, Sophomore and Freshman Mass at 8:30 A. M.
Conference by The Reverend C. J. Pernin, S. J.

Friday, April 1
General Communion at 8:00 A. M. in Bellarmine Chapel.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 A. M. to 3:00 P. M.
Benediction of Blessed Sacrament at 3:00 P. M.

Final Day for The Intercollegiate English Essay Contest.

The annual Junior Promenade.
Saturday, April 2
Bellarmine Auxiliary Social in Mary Lodge Reading Room.

Sunday, April 3
Xavier University Radio Hour over Station WKRC at 5:45 P. M.

Monday, April 4
Annual Retreat Begins.

MICHIGAN STATE IS DANGEROUS BASEBALL TEAM

But Coach Comello Is Not A Bit Pessimistic

Michigan State College will travel from Lansing to engage the Xavier Musketeers on Monday, April 4th, in the opening game of the year for both schools. The boys from Michigan boast a better team this year than the club that took two in a row from the Musketeers last season. But Coach Tony Comello is of the opinion that his club will start the season in the right manner with a victory over the Lansing team.

The Xavier squad looks better this season than it has for the past few years. There are a number of promising sophomores out for the club and men among the Juniors and Seniors who have been making it tough for the regulars of last year to hold down their positions.

What Coach Comello's starting lineup will be cannot be said as there are a number of Dorm men who will undoubtedly make the first nine, and others who will keep the competition for positions keen.

The opening game will be played at Corcoran Field at 2:30, Monday April 4.

COLLEGE ASSOCIATION MEETS AT CLEVELAND

To Discuss Important Education Question; X. Sends Three Representatives

The Ohio Association of Colleges, of which Xavier University is a member, meets in Cleveland April 8 and 9, preceded by a meeting of college presidents and deans on April 8.

At the meeting of Ohio colleges will be discussed the important question of changing the quantitative standard of requirement for graduation to a standard of quality in scholarship.

The representatives from Xavier will be Fr. Sloctemyer, Fr. Carrigan and Fr. Fitzgerald, the Assistant Dean of the downtown College.

FR. STECHSCHULTE ON MEND

Fr. Victor Stechschulte, head of the department of Physics, is finally on the mend after seven weeks of confinement to his bed at the Good Samaritan Hospital with pleurisy. He is expected to resume his teaching duties soon.

OUR SYMPATHY

We extend our sincerest sympathy to Father Boylan, whose sister died in Chicago about two weeks ago. All members of the Junior Class, who have offered a spiritual bouquet for the deceased, join us in our sentiments.

PROM COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF ACTIVE MEN

Moellering, Hosty, Nurre, Ryan, Wilkiemeyer, Prominent Juniors, Handle Arrangements



Above are printed pictures of the Junior Prom Committee, all boys who have distinguished themselves in various Xavier activities. George Link, Class President, Moellering and Hosty are best known as football players. Nurre and Ryan as student managers, and Wilkiemeyer for his activity in the Clef Club.

Here is the list of patrons who have contributed to make this year's Prom successful.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Williams.

Annual Retreat To Be Held Next Week

Of Obligation For All Catholics; Fr. Garrity And Fr. Sloctemyer Conduct

The annual retreat for the Xavier students will be held next week, beginning Monday and ending Thursday with General Communion. Two retreats will be conducted, one for the undergraduates, in Bellarmine Chapel, with Fr. Sloctemyer conducting, and the other for the Seniors in Eliet Hall Chapel, under Fr. Garrity.

The retreat was to have been held earlier, but complications arising in the schedule prevented.

The order will be practically the same as in other years, being based on

a traditional system. Here is the probable schedule (though it is subject to slight change if the Retreat master so desires).

ANNUAL RETREAT — 1932

April 4, 5, 6

Obligatory—Non-Catholics are invited to attend.

9:00Mass and Instruction
Intermission in Silence

10:30Second Instruction, followed by Examination of Conscience; Angeles; Litany for Freshmen.

Intermission for Lunch

12:30Way of the Cross
12:50Instruction

Intermission in Silence

1:45Instruction — Benediction

2:40Dismissal or Confessions

Conference may be arranged with the Retreat Master.

A previously unexcused absence from any exercise is sufficient reason for suspension for the remaining quarter.

Strict silence must be observed. This is essential to the success of the retreat.

Intermission between instructions should be spent in silence, in spiritual reading or meditation.

Autos should not be driven during short intermissions.

Confessions each day at 2:40. All should pray for the success of the retreat.

Smoking in any building except the basement of Science Hall is strictly forbidden.

Spiritual Reading Books in Reading Room.

Friday, April 11—8:30 A. M.—Mass, General Communion, Papal Blessing.

Thursday, April 7—8:30 A. M.—Mass, General Communion.

GENERAL COMMUNION TOMORROW MORNING FOR SODALISTS

With Confessions Today. Regular Meeting Called Off

Due to the fact that Friday, April 1, is the First Friday of the month there will be no meeting of the Sodality at 11:30. Instead there will be a mass and General Communion at 8 o'clock. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed throughout the day and all are urged to spend as much time in chapel as possible. In order to further this devotion a schedule of the names and times for devotion will be listed on the bulletin board.

Confessions will be heard on Thursday, from 11:30 A. M., until 3 P. M., thus affording students every convenience.

All are urged to keep up the good work manifested during the Lenten services.

SAINT JOSEPH COLLEGE IS ADMITTED TO N. CENTRAL

Shortly before the Easter holidays, the College of Mt. St. Joseph announced their admission into the North Central Association of Colleges. The announcement was made by Sister Mary Zoe, Dean of Mt. St. Joseph; upon her return from a convention of North Central representatives at Chicago.

Mt. St. Joseph College is the only woman's college in Southern Ohio which has been admitted to the organization. This is quite a recommendation for the school; when the comparatively short time of its existence is considered the high standards of the Mount are appreciated.

YALE UNIVERSITY—Students at Yale have requested an additional week of vacation this spring. Really an additional week is needed. It hurries you so when you run down to Bermuda or stop a while in Florida.

SPRING FOOTBALL UNDER WAY WITH SPLENDID SQUAD

New Coach Working Out With Number Of New Candidates

With the return of the dormitory men after a prolonged vacation, spring football practice has again gotten under way. The absence of the dorm students from the pre-Easter practice sessions made the attendance at these practices very light, but with their return all candidates are expected to turn out for the 1932 edition of the Musketeers.

Clem Crowe, newly-appointed Xavier line coach, has been in Cincinnati for some time and is expected to take charge of the line candidates immediately. Crowe is a former Notre Dame star, where he merited letters in football, basketball and baseball. More recently he was head coach at St. Vincent's College.

The prospects of a successful Xavier team in the fall depend greatly on this spring practice period. The loss of Captain Wilhelm, Beckwith, Hughes, Kelley, Taylor, Phelan and Andy Schmidt is sure to be felt although there is excellent material on hand to take their place. Welthe, Farrell, Sanders and Coleman are among the sophomore men expected to make a strong bid for honors while Captain McCreary and a corps of freshman footballists are bound to make things interesting for the letter-men.

COMMUNITY CHEST TENDERS LUNCHEON TO CLERGY MEMBERS

Mr. Charles F. Williams Presides; Archbishop Gives Address

A very interesting luncheon was given at the Queen City Club for the purpose of organizing the forces of the Community Chest Drive, which is to begin in earnest next week. The lunch was tendered to members of the clergy by Mr. Charles F. Williams, Chairman of the Drive, who is incidentally a well-known benefactor of Xavier.

Principal speakers at the affairs were Archbishop McNicholas, Mr. Williams and Mr. Bookman, Secretary of the Community Chest Campaign.

Fr. Sloctemyer attended.

DAVE BERNIE TO PLAY AT BOOKLOVERS' DANCE

Latest news with regard to the Annual Dance and Card Party of the Xavier Booklovers Association, to be held April 22, in the Hotel Gibson Ballroom, announces that Dave Bernie and his Buccaneers have been secured to furnish the music.



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Concerning The Prom—

The camel's back has been broken. The last straw was added last week and the situation now resembles the state of affairs as existing in governmental Washington today. The straw referred to is the latest bulletin issued by the Prom Committee which announced the engagement of one Walter Barnes and his Orchestra for Xavier's outstanding social event. This is quite a come-down from the picture painted by the Junior Class President who reported "we have options on Coon-Sanders, Johnny Hamp, and Jimmy Joy".

It seems that something is amiss in the administration of Junior Class activities. There is a strong odor of politics. In fact it recalls the days of George B. Cox in the Queen City. Cincinnati remedied its evil with the Charter and City Manager Plan. Will we have to resort to a "University Manager"? As stated above the campus is a miniature Washington—the few holding the reins and the many following behind, and liking it (?). In both places a shake-up is due.

The poor management of this year's Prom is a reflection on the Juniors; and surely it is not going to provide the Seniors with a landmark to look back upon. This committee was appointed in January and nothing was heard from it until a few weeks ago (and the Prom is to be staged tomorrow night). Were these gentlemen unaware of the sound business judgment that "it pays to advertise"? And to be sure the Prom is a business and requires clever handling and utilization of every possible means to insure success. Why then was advertising overlooked? Many suggestions which would have provided very good advertising were made to those in charge. This friendly advice in part included the idea of introducing "royalty" in the persons of the various campus leaders who would be known as "Princes". There was also the idea of broadcasting, and novel decorations following a general scheme. The appearance of the Clef Club was also hinted. By adopting these measures the 1932 Prom would be characterized by these innovations which might become traditions and at the same time add color to the affair, in which it is sadly lacking—it is practically, "just another dance". The verdict on their suggestions was neither "yes" nor "no". In view of this apparent inefficiency the question comes to mind as to whether the remedy would be affected by an ELECTION of all committees.

All this space amounts to this, since the Prom is the social highlight of the year, its success should be assured and all doubtful elements should be removed. Any trace of a question mark should be erased. This year's Prom is a question mark, which might change to an exclamation point. (Let us hope so.) The uncertainty of this year's music could be removed by engaging a good local orchestra—yes, there are a few.

In the future it is hoped that the Prom Committees will lay their cards on the table and eliminate some of the secrecy from the affair and in this manner allow everyone to help them, for it is a real job and thankless. Could not the committee dicker with several orchestras and then show the students the actual cost, and assess accordingly on whichever music is selected by vote? Good music is essential, because the radio has made the country music conscious, especially as to dance orchestras.

Retreat—Then Advance!

The word "retreat" in military accounts usually carries a rather vanquished and defeated connotation or at least a tinge of dishonor, in the minds of most readers. But, on the other hand, anyone acquainted with army tactics knows that at times and under favorable conditions a retreat is really a stratagem; it might be and often has proved to be a masterful stroke. Several times has a well planned retreat turned the tide of a war—in fact constituted a crisis, odds being even on any result.

Now for the application. Here are some 400 young men at the completion of a well-thought-out and executed "retreat"; they have deserted "No Man's Land" for the quiet repose and encouragement of the barracks with their inspired General in command. They had not been repulsed, but ceased operations to strengthen themselves, remembering that "the best defense is a strong offense". Nor was there a dishonorable element in the cause. They showed their strength in recognizing their weaknesses, thus stamping themselves true heroes. Although no positive victory can be seen in this manuevre or procedure, ultimately the results are auspicious because the enemy can gain no decisive victory over a passive or indifferent foe, which is the exact status of the 400 at this time. This is a sort of moral victory, in some respects like the winning of a chess game. At present the conditions are not unfavorable but a removal from the hectic battlefield is probably the tonic needed for the counter-attack which will result in greater and more far-reaching victories. The turning point is here, the issue must be met squarely.

So with renewed zeal and courage and unfurled banners let the struggle resume—and beware, lest you betray the strategist.

Book Chat

By Louis A. Feldhaus

When a new Shaw play is in town, even if that play is not a play at all but rather a series of lectures, no other literary news is of much importance. But we are obliged to leave "Too True To Be Good" to the dramatic editor, so the second-best will have to content our readers for just this once.

A recent re-reading of Katherine Mansfield's "Journal" led us quite naturally to the latest book by the gentleman who edited that journal, and who was also Katherine Mansfield's husband, J. Middleton Murry. We say latest book, although the volume, "Countries of the Mind" is really a reprint of essays which this, may we say, metaphysically inclined, critic has written during the past ten years.

The essays range from Shakespeare to Walter de la Mare, with the intermediary steps of such poets as William Collins, John Clare and Baudelaire not overlooked or omitted.

The paper which interested us most was that on Gustave Flaubert. Its opening paragraph gives a good idea of its nature:

"There are two Flauberts. One was born on the 12th of December, 1821, in the surgeon's house at Rouen hospital; the other in enthusiastic minds in the last quarter of the nineteenth century. One was a broad, big-boned, lovable, rather simple-minded man, with the look and the laugh of a farmer, who spent his life in agonies over the intensive culture of half a dozen curiously assorted volumes; the other was an incorporeal giant, a symbol, a war-cry, a banner under which a youthful army marched and marches still to the rout of bourgeois and the revolution of literature."

Has this phase of the "rise of romanticism" ever been more succinctly expounded?

Though Edna Ferber's "American Beauty" proved unsatisfactory to us, we found a genuine thrill lurking in one of its chapters, (chapter three, to be exact), which after several re-readings still held its original charm and power.

Its support is the fading away of the "gay splendid company of 1700" from the home which its members had made for themselves in Connecticut, and it is almost unique for the striking manner in which it causes the immediate to fade into the historical. One of the closing paragraphs is especially striking:

"So the gay-splendid company of 1700 passed like a parade. You heard the faint, ghostly echoes of their music, saw the last flash of their color, their glow, their vitality. Then their splendor vanished forever. The ghost of it sometimes haunted an attic chest, with its musty silks and satins and velvets, or grinned at you from a gravestone."

A Correction

Editor's Note:

Some times ago we printed a review of Rev. Paul Sullivan's lecture to the Freshman Class, which, we regret, was a bit erroneous in presenting the speaker's views. We present here a communication since received from Fr. Sullivan:

To the Editor:

While I wish to thank you for the amount of space given to the report of my talk to the Orientation class on "Majoring in English" (in your issue of March 10), I should like to ask you for the chance to make a few corrections. The statement, "It would do one just as well to study English Literature, French Literature, or German Literature as it would be to study Latin or Greek Literature", as it is worded in your report, is far from being my opinion or my statement. I do not believe anything can quite take the place of the classic literatures. They are, after all, *The Great Tradition*. In that sense, I am a thorough Arnoldian. What I was trying to bring out was that—because of utilitarian and mechanistic concepts of education, and because of the mass training which has really been substituted for education in this country—the vernacular literatures (English, French, German, Italian, etc.) have had to serve as the basis of a liberal training, and that, with thorough and expert handling, these vernacular literatures could do more than they have done to partially close the gap left by the relative sacrifice of the classics. That this substitution for the classics would ever result in culture or education in the real sense I do not believe.

In the same spirit, allow me to qualify the identification of my ideas with those of Katherine Fullerton Gerould, as quoted. I cannot conceive of a gen-

uine culture in which "contact with the best that has been said in Latin and Greek" has been LEFT OUT. We must remember, too, that every gain of truth involves a corresponding sacrifice of independence and a corresponding limitation of the field in which curiosity may roam.

The phrase "Righteous conscientiousness of things as they exist today" should read "Right conscientiousness in regard to things," etc.

Paul D. Sullivan, S. J.
(Rev.) Paul D. Sullivan, S. J.

Students no longer sing their love to dance dates—the orchestra leader does it for them.

A professor of economics at Ohio State University served tea and cakes to his class after a difficult examination recently. What an understanding professor.

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CINCINNATI'S FOREMOST MEN'S STORE

Jest Gossip

"We shall rent our garments", said the Dorm boys on the day before the Prom.

"Backwoodsman" Carl Jonas, from the wilds of Bellevue was seen jumping up and down on the Union House Lawn. "I've found dinosaur tracks" he was shrieking but Don Fredricks informed him "Them ain't no dinosaur tracks; them's Engy Koester's foot prints. "When are you going swimming Engy?"

Another scandal has been imported from upstate. Where does Beans Nevius go every week end and why is he humming selections from "Martha" (of course we mean the opera)?

Otto B. Schott has heard from reliable sources that Jake Buchert has turned Pansy. His Mt. St. Joe girl friends wave his hair and play poker games with him. Jake in turn writes the most delightful letters when vexed. Isn't that right A. P.?

Since Hosty has had his photo taken in his "dinner jacket" he is becoming quite a Beau Brummell. He shaves twice a week, and sometimes even wears a tie to class. What a sissy!

Let's hope "Windy" Maggini succeeds in getting his alleged babe down from Cleveland for the big event (the Prom). We sure expect to see sump'n.

A certain Kentucky belle seems to be "that way" over our pal Lou Meyer. Nelda makes pies and cakes and butterscotch candy for her dear little Louis. Ain't love grand?

Bob Leroux recently did a Prince of Wales. His hoss stopped but Bob didn't, that is until he reached the turf several feet ahead.

"Dutch" Moellering promises that Walter Barnes and his Eight Balls is the fifth best colored orchestra in the country. "What country?" asks skeptical Wildcat Waldron.

Nomination for the champion window-shoppers of Xavier: Hastings, Landenswisch and perhaps Bens. On a stroll about town one night last week, these lads took in everything from landscape displays to ladies' hats, to jewelry and back to Westwood. Harry explains, however, that they were not window shopping; "just window wishing", Harry says.

Faging "Bull" Pennington—Room 613!

Spanish students are requested to put in their orders early for good grades in the next exams. Requests for A's and B's have been coming in so rapidly that the good Doctor fears he may not be able to fill all the orders.

Kollege Kernels

(NSFA)—Over 150 students at the University of Texas studied Czech last year. Not one failure was recorded.

The University of Mexico recently released a history of itself, "The Oldest University in America." This proves it to be one hundred years older than Harvard.

"Be on your guard when you begin to mortify your body by abstinence and fasting, lest you imagine yourself to be perfect and a saint; for perfection does not consist in this virtue. It is only a help; a disposition; a means,

though a fitting one, for the attainment of true perfection."—St. Jerome.

"I think, therefore I am," said Descartes. Yes? Then where does that leave the rest of us?

Extra! SCOTCHMAN KILLED! Extra!
He lit a bomb—but couldn't make up his mind to throw it away.

Amherst student cheering sections were vacated at the games this fall, not because of a lack of spirit but just the contrary. Ninety-two per cent of the students engaged in some sport or other.

A University of Michigan engineering student suffered a couple of injured ankles last Tuesday when he attempted to make an exit by way of the window after being apprehended in the act of stealing exam questions. Just another argument in favor of an honor system.

In a straw vote sponsored by the Intercollegiate Disarmament Council, 81 per cent of the students who voted opposed compulsory military training in colleges. The poll covered 70 universities with 24,345 students.

George Saleeby, a sophomore at Colgate, was given a silver loving cup for winning a beard-growing contest. His hirsute adornment measured one inch. American manhood isn't deteriorating, after all, it would seem.

ALUMNAL ASSOCIATION TO HOLD MEETING APRIL 6TH

The Xavier Alumni Association will hold a meeting at the Union House on Wednesday, April 6. Harry A. Gilligan, alumni president, will conduct, and Father Perrin and Fr. Stoetmeyer will probably be the guest speakers.

KNOW XAVIER PAST AND PRESENT

By William Young

(Note: The following advertisement appeared in the initial edition of the Catholic Telegraph, October 22, 1831. It called the public's attention to the new institution of higher learning in Cincinnati—the "Athenaeum." The Athenaeum, later called St. Xavier College, was the original Xavier University.)

ATHENAEUM

The Athenaeum is now open for the reception of pupils. The scholastic exercises commenced on Monday, the 17th inst. From the number and proficiency of the Professors connected with the Athenaeum, it will be enabled to sustain a respectable standing among the literary institutions of the West. Like every similar institution, which must depend, for success, on the patronage of the Public, its chief dependence is placed in the consciousness of possessing the means, and in the assurance, which is hereby given, to make every exertion to merit the patronage of a liberal and enlightened Public.

All communications relative to the admission of students must be made to the Rev. Rese, Vice President of the Athenaeum.

Terms

Tuition, including board, washing, mending, etc., per annum.	\$150.00
Music will form an extra charge of	40.00
Drawing and Painting, The Italian and German	25.00

Languages, 25.00

For Externs

For the College Course, or any part thereof \$50.00
N. B. The course of Natural and Experimental Philosophy will commence as soon as the apparatus which is expected from Europe shall have arrived. In this, there will be an additional charge of \$10, to supply the many instruments usually broken by the young experimenter.

Regulations

1. Board and tuition are to be paid semi-annually in advance.
 2. Each pupil will furnish a single bed and bedding, or pay \$9.00 for their use annually.
 3. Stationery will be furnished annually at \$6.00.
 4. Except in cases of exclusion by the Board, no deductions will be made on account of removal.
 5. Pupils in the higher classes will not be allowed more than four, nor fewer than two recitations per day.
 6. A schedule will be sent to parents semi-annually, exhibiting the progress and standing of pupils.
 7. The President will claim the right of examining and regulating the correspondence of the pupils, except such as is interchanged between them and parents or guardians.
- The "Athenaeum", a literary institution "where a classical course of study was provided", was officially opened on the seventeenth of October, 1831, by Bishop Fenwick, the first

Bishop of Cincinnati. It was next to St. Xavier Church, which was on Sixth and Sycamore streets outside the city limits, for the growing town was then centered about Third and Fourth Streets and Broadway. The Society of Jesus had undertaken a serious and responsible task in instituting the first Catholic College for the young men in the Cincinnati Diocese. It was governed—and very strictly, too, as may be seen in the advertisement—by a Board of Trustees and presided over by the Reverend Rese, Vice President of the Athenaeum. There was no President of the Institution until October 1, 1840, when it was given the name of St. Xavier College, and Father Elet became the first of a long line of Presidents.

At a time when endowments were unheard of and all constructive work had to be carried on by sheer perseverance and constant denials, the Jesuits, in the face of subtle persecutions and much religious opposition in the city, came through with flying colors. The history of the long, hard struggle of the Society of Jesus to place the small unknown "Athenaeum" among the renowned Universities of the Middle West, is an interesting and at times exciting tale; it is the history of a century of laborious work, of struggles and hardships, but a story of a glorious triumph, of which the ultimate and no less glorious result is—Xavier University.

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One-Act Play By Feldhaus Features; Famous Author Heard From

This week the Winter Edition of the "Athenaeum" makes its appearance on the campus and is probably in the process of being issued through the mails. Possibly it is awaiting your return home this evening.

The contents, as usual, are quite varied and it can be said safely that there is something to interest everyone. Those who appreciate new ideas or new treatment of old ideas will find several articles to their liking. At the same time the essay reader will not be disappointed, and to those who must have humor, adequate space is devoted. And finally there is a short letter from Maurice Baring, one of the foremost Men of Letters in England today. This bit of recognition is most encouraging and proves that this literary effort on the part of the University is not confined to the campus, and naturally enough it should prove an incentive to the contributors and those who might be.

Of all the worthy efforts in the book the writer prefers "So This Is Constancy", a one-act play by Louis A. Feldhaus, '32. It is a clever comedy that sustains interest throughout. (Incidentally this play was produced recently by a Kentucky dramatic club of which several Xavierians are members).

Frank X. Brearton, '33, submits a sonnet which deals with the warm, mild days that frequently relieved the discomfort of our wintry weather. The same author is responsible for an essay which is the result of several observations made in Eden Park. The third contribution of this student is a poem that relates the tragedy of one unable to reach its goal. Then there are the two efforts of John A. Brink, '34. The first is a poem which tells of leading one's own life and accepting the re-

sults of this same independence. His second article is a very humorous treatise on a common pastime—"Chair-Tilting." S. Griffin Murphy, '32, is represented by an essay on Greek oratory. He blames the low standard of morals and the personal defense used in Greek courts for the invective that appears in Greek orations. Frank G. Beierle, '32, shows the difference in requirements for the novel and the scenario. And finally Chad Chettie gives reasons for the inclusion of Joseph Mary Plunkett, the Irish poet, among those who are styled "mystics".

This issue of the magazine is a very good compilation of literary endeavor and one that greatly pleased and impressed the writer as a reader; but as a student it strikes the writer as the work of a few prolific sons of Alma Mater. A greater number of contributors is looked for in the Spring Edition, so give your manuscripts to one of the editors.

The Social Registrar

The Junior Prom, we all know, has always been an occasion on which Xavier students glorified the American girl. This year's Prom is going to be no exception, and just to show this the News has made a few inquiries as to who the lucky girls are to be. So that we have printed below a list of Xavier's outstanding campus figures, and the young ladies who will accompany them at the big event.

Seniors

John Nolan, Prom King, Mary Broeman; "Tiny" Glassmeyer, Student Council, Laura Wesselman; Leo Smyth, Student Council, Helen Riehle; Dick O'Dowd, Clef Club President, Ann Follmar; Phil Overbeck, Annual, Margaret Cantwell; Jack Brennan, Annual Editor, Ruth Hunt; Elmer Buller, Dante Club, Alline Lykins; Pat Desmond, Clef Club, Janet Heil; Louis Feldhaus, Masque Society, Tobia Tahl; Arnold Scully, Tennis Captain, Louise Voet; Lou Meyer, Clef Club, Nelda Dietz; Griff Murphy, Prom Committee, '31, Dorothy Gegan; Paul Hilbert, Clef Club, Mildred Campbell; John Anton, Masque Society, Harriet Heatherman; Alvin Ostolhoff, Oratorical Prize Winner, Bernice Ferrell.

Juniors

Frank Brearton, Editor "X" News, Helen Goodman; Bob Bueter, "X" News Associate Editor, Helen Wer-

mes; Maynard Rueter, "X" News Business Manager, Mary Wieckelman; Lou Glinochlo, Business Manager Annual, Clare Aull; Jim Dewan, Ring Committee, Peggy Coughlin; Larry McDermott, "X" News, Charlotte Car-nan; Dan Corbett, Basketball, Helen A. Owens; Gordon Krieger, Mary Brodberger; Paul Steinkamp, Baseball, Amanda Tassinger; Bob Leroux, Babe Sentker; Frank Waldron, "X" News, Marion Westendorf.

Sophomores

Jack Hughes, Class President, Martha Finn; Frank Forster, "X" News, Helen Kiley; Lou Flanagan, Football, Mary Noone; Hal Pennington, Football, Mary Raine; Kenney Jordan, Football, Jeanne Rogers; Marty Farrell, Football, Martha Byrne; Bob Ryan, Oratorical Contest, Clara Mae Hoobler.

Freshmen

Ambrose Lindhorst, Class President, Mary Ellen Barrett; Paul Witte, Football, Crystal Thies; George Schulten, Track, Elaine Post; Cliff Lange, "X" News, Eleanor McGinnes.

Dr. Frank Aydelotte, president of Swarthmore College, recently declared that "the so-called bad boys in school who refuse to submit to discipline and who create difficulties are frequently the more brilliant students."

NOTRE DAME SPONSORS DANCE AND CARD PARTY

The Alumna Association of Notre Dame Academy, Sixth Street, announce that on Saturday evening, April 2, they will sponsor a Dance and Card Party at the new home of the Friars, Ohio Avenue and McMillan Street.

Xavier students are invited to attend, and tickets can be purchased from any Notre Dame student or Alumnae, or at the door, for 60c.

Dancing and cards will be enjoyed from 8:30 until 1 A. M., with music by the "Debonairs," popular local orchestra.

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SCHMIDT DISCUSSES HISTORY OF SODALITY

At Weekly Meeting Of Freshman Sodality; Debate To Be Held

As a fitting climax to the five minute speeches which have been given by members of the Freshman sodality, Larry Schmidt gave an interesting talk on the origin and history of the Sodality of our Lady. Mr. Schmidt's paper, which was well delivered, gave some very interesting facts concerning the Sodality of Our Lady. According to Mr. Schmidt the first Sodality was founded in the Church of the Roman College of the Society of Jesus by a young Jesuit, Father John Lennis. From its very beginning it has flourished and has continued on down till the present day. Some of the outstanding facts mentioned in Mr. Schmidt's talk were that seven of our past popes were members of the Sodality of Our Lady; that at the present time there are approximately three million members belonging to the Sodality of Our Lady.

After Mr. Schmidt's interesting talk Fr. Grace, moderator, discussed plans with the Sodality for the future meetings. It was decided that at the next meeting of the Freshman Sodality a debate be held as to whether "The Catholic leadership should rest more in the hands of the students than in the hands of the religious." Those chosen for the affirmative side of the question were Messrs. James Byrnes, Clarence Ransick and Charles Riley. Those chosen to oppose the affirmative were Martin Dumlal, Edward Holz and Ralph Crawford.

Prof: I'm letting you out early today. Please go out quietly so as not to wake the other classes.

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